

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.3039, As Amended**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Family & Probate Court Jurisdiction		

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ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

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**BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 3039, as amended, amends Section 20-7-420 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by granting concurrent jurisdiction to the Family and Probate Courts over issues of paternity, common law marriage and interpretation of marital agreements to the extent that the Probate Court jurisdiction over these matters must relate to issues pending before the Probate Court in connection with estate, trust, guardianship and conservatorship actions.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Judicial Department indicates there will be no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

Enactment would have little or no impact on local expenditures.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

None.

Approved by:



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